

HELENA OPEN LANDS MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

NOTES

September 11, 2012

Room 326, City-County Building
5:30 P.M.

Jane Kollmeyer called the meeting to order. A quorum was present: Jane Kollmeyer, Lois Olson, Scott Mincemoyer (HCC), Corey Baker, Clint Morrison, Dawn North, Brad Langsather, Greta Dige

MINUTES

There were no minutes to approve.

ACTION none

REPORTS

Parks and Recreation Natural Resource Coordinator:

Brad presented information on this year's rec trail program grant application for an ADA trail on the Donaldson property. The trail would be a loop a little less than a mile long but would require a bridge across the gulch below the barn to comply with ADA requirements; the grant request is for \$60,000 for the bridge. The project would be in partnership with the Prickly Pear Land Trust and the disc golfers and is also a Gold Award project for a Girl Scout. He also reported he is working with the city street department to enlarge the Mount Helena parking lot just east of the existing parking lot. He is also working with the public works department to increase the size of the archery range parking lot. He noted the city received the Community Forestry Conservation Grant to purchase additional lots on Mount Ascension. The city also got a land and water conservation fund grant from Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks to purchase another lot on Mount Ascension.

Corey reported his Social Trails Committee met with the Forest Service about getting some of the trails on their map, but it will likely take a long while before that happens. There was discussion about the proliferation of social trails and the need to obliterate some of them since new trail building is not a priority any longer. There was extensive discussion on whatever is to become of these trails.

REPORTS

Weeds: none

Trails: none

Cultural Resources: none

Wildlife: none

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Forestry: none
PUBLIC COMMENT: none
NEXT MEETING DATE: October 9, 2012
AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING:

Carol Kirkland
Recorder